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## **Mon County Schools Help City Public Works Paint Snow Plows for Winter**

*After a year hiatus, Snow Plow Painting returns to Monongalia County.*

MORGANTOWN – Snow plow blades belonging to The City of Morgantown, BOPARC, and West Virginia University will be getting a fresh coat of paint to prepare for winter – but they’ve enlisted the help of ten creative schools to get it done.

In mid-September, ten Monongalia County Schools had a snow plow blade and five quarts of paint delivered (red, yellow, blue, white, and black). They’ll have one month to paint and/or decorate it any way they wish. Schools participating this year are:

- Morgantown High
- Clay Battelle High
- St. Francis Catholic School
- Trinity Christian School
- Mountaineer Middle
- South Middle
- Easton Elementary
- North Elementary
- Woodburn Elementary
- Ridgedale Elementary

“This is the first time we’ve had this many schools participating,” said City of Morgantown Engineer Damien Davis. “We have to paint them every year to maintain them, anyway – why not make it fun?”

The program began in 2008 by Assistant Public Works Director Bill Rumble. Rumble started the program as a way to help students, teachers, and parents learn more about Public Works - specifically winter maintenance activities.

“The public works department, students, teachers, and the community as a whole all benefitted from Mr. Rumble’s effort,” said Davis, “And the City would like to continue those efforts this year, and hopefully for many more.”

On October 15, the plows will be picked up, clear coated, and mounted onto snow plow trucks. All ten plows will appear in December’s Christmas Parade, and the students who painted them are invited to march alongside to proudly display their artwork.

“It’s a change from seeing the same white or blue snow plows every winter,” said Davis. “It makes snow days that much more fun for the kids.”

There will be a date and time set for media to see the completed plows, displayed together.



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